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TOBOGGAN SLIDE NEARLY FINISHED

WILL BE FINISHED FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Many Await Opportunity to Enjoy the Winter Sports

The weather man has finally come across with sufficient snow and cold for construction of the toboggan slide at the Military reservation. The elevated "start-off" and the takeoff at the lake, and the electric lighting and coffee house have been finished for several weeks but the absence of snow held up the necessary parts for completing the toboggan slide. But the heavy fall of snow since last week Thursday and reasonably cold weather have made it possible for the construction committee to go ahead with the building of the toboggan slide. A crew of eight men have been busy all week on the making of the slide and they have it about ready for use and a big day is in store for the live ones who care to participate in this fascinating and thrilling sport next Sunday.

Whole families will be privileged to use the slide all season for the small sum of \$1.00. 25 cents per day will be charged for individuals who do not hold season tickets. It is hoped to be able to maintain the slide without further request for money from business men and others. It is felt that those who use the slide will be only too glad to assist in paying the expense of constructing and maintaining it.

A few simple rules have been laid down by the committee in charge that are intended for the safety and comfort of those who partake in the sport. Among the rules adopted are the following:

- Rules
- No stunt riding.
- No overloading.
- No poor toboggans.
- Ask the starter.
- Take no chances.
- Warning: We are not responsible for any accidents.

These instructions are intended for safety and if adhered to there should be no danger of accidents. With the past year's experience as a guide, the slide has been built substantially and for safety as well as for pleasure. Signs will be conspicuously posted with the above instructions clearly printed. Also there will be signs stating the schedule of charges and rates that read as follows:

Toboggan Slide and Ice Rink
There will be no charge for children of school age. Season family tickets are \$1.00. All persons not holding season tickets will be required to pay 25 cents per day.

Taxi Charges—Taxi charges from and to Grayling will be \$1.50 per car one way—25 cents per passenger.

Toboggans—Toboggans may be rented at the rate of 50 cents per afternoon or evening, or \$1.00 per day. Besides the genuine fun of coasting down the fast toboggan slide, an afternoon spent in the open is highly invigorating and a wonderful health builder. Winter sports are no longer a novelty but a real privilege in which people may get away from their overheated homes and breathe the pure fresh air under pleasurable conditions. Properly dressed nobody experiences any discomforts and they come home tired but fired with enthusiasm and ready to enjoy a good night's sleep.

It is a great tonic and a physical developer. And the enjoyment of the slide is for old and young alike and for the slim and for the portly, unless the latter may be too wide to fit in between the iced walls of the slide. And there will be a cozy place in which one may rest and, if desired, refresh themselves with hot coffee and sandwiches. This is built near the center of the slide, and convenient for everyone, including spectators.

A large crowd is looked for at the slide next Sunday. Everyone who can do so should be out to help dedicate the new slide.

Special programs and tournaments are being planned for the near future.

WOMAN'S CLUB NOTES

The club met Monday, Jan. 23rd at the club rooms. Mrs. Roy Milnes read a paper prepared by Ethel Taylor on the history of Grayling. This contained many interesting facts. It might be interesting to the people of Grayling to know that the town of Grayling was originally known as Forest, because it stood in a dense forest at that time. Later the name was changed to Crawford, named from the county. The name Grayling came from the fish by that name which were abundant in the streams around Grayling at that time. Mrs. Schmidt read an interesting paper on Period Furniture. The principal periods mentioned were: The Elizabethan period, Charles I, William and Mary, Louis XIV, XV and XVI. Mrs. Schmidt also read an interesting article from the Grand Rapids paper on furniture development and the establishing of Grand Rapids as a furniture center of the world.

REV. MORROW GIVES TEMPERANCE SERMON

TELLS BENEFITS AND NEEDS FOR PROHIBITION

Rev. Geo. W. Morrow, ex-president of the Anti Saloon league, an indomitable temperance worker, occupied the pulpit of Michelson Memorial church last Sunday and gave a stirring discourse on the advantages of the present prohibition laws and brot back memories of the old days of the saloon.

Using the text: Hebrew IV-15, "Remember the Lord who is great and terrible and fight for your brethren, your sons and daughters, your wives and your houses," he said in part as follows:

And I believe you will agree with me when I declare that the 18th amendment is the greatest welfare movement in the country. The opponents of the Prohibition Amendment are trying to make the world believe that Prohibition was in some way "put over"; that the people were taken unaware.

But prohibition as a national policy was not adopted until after 68% of the population of this country was already living in dry territory. Not until 33 states had of their own accord adopted the policy.

Then the 18th Amendment was then submitted by a two-third vote in each house of Congress. And the Amendment was ratified by the most overwhelming majorities ever given to a change in our Federal Constitution.

There have only been 19 Amendments to the Constitution since its adoption 140 years ago. The first 10 Amendments called the "Bill of Rights" were ratified by a bare three-fourth majority. Three of the thirteen states did not ratify these 10 amendments. The 11th was the same 4 states never ratified the 12th Amendment.

5 states never ratified the 13th Amendment.

4 states never ratified the 14th Amendment.

6 states never ratified the 15th Amendment.

8 states never ratified the 16th Amendment.

12 states never ratified the 17th Amendment.

10 states have not yet ratified the 19th Amendment.

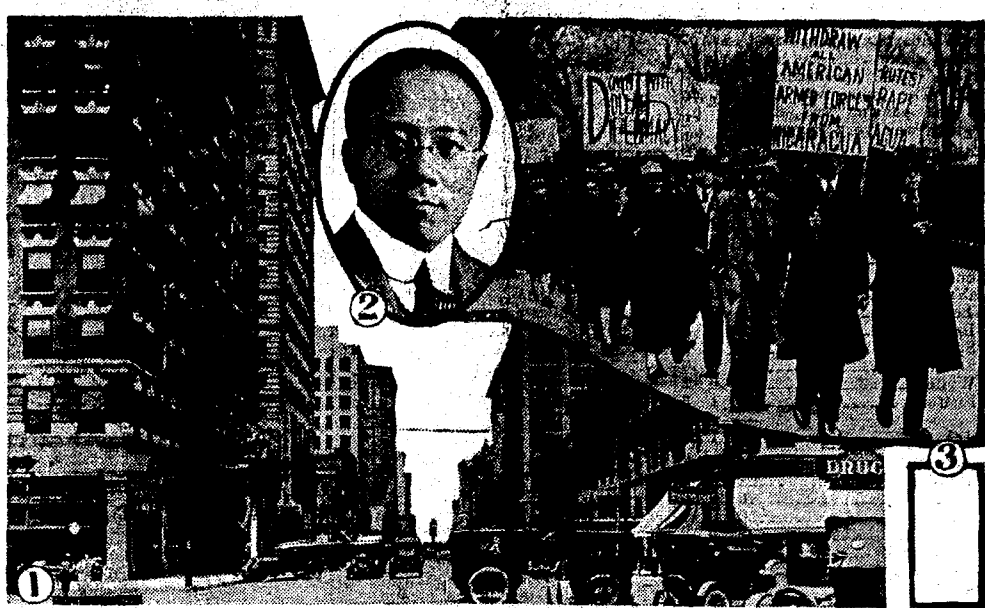
But 46 states have ratified the 18th Amendment.

Two momentous changes have taken place since prohibition was adopted.

There has been a great Industrial Revolution. The key word of that industrial revolution is "Mass Production." The demands are speed, safety, service, conservation of man power and elimination of waste.

Down the Detroit river, where I live are shipped the great boat loads of ore from the shores of Lake Superior above on to Cleveland where the ore is reloaded on to cars to be shipped to Pittsburgh. A few years

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1—View in business district of Houston, Texas, where Democratic national convention will be held. 2—Dr. C. O. Wu, appointed special envoy to United States to negotiate treaties with the Nanking Nationalists. 3—Members of Workers' Communist party demonstrating in Washington against American intervention in Nicaragua.

COAST ARTILLERY HERE NEXT JULY

202D ILLINOIS REGT. ORDERED TO GRAYLING

The 202d Coast Guard Artillery regiment of Illinois National Guard has been ordered to Grayling for their summer training period, and are scheduled to arrive July 14th and remain until July 28th.

Our readers will recall that this unit trained at Camp Grayling last July. They are an anti-aircraft organization and different from any military organization that has ever occupied the reservation and their training was in some respects spectacular and very interesting and all new to the people of this community.

Airplanes were used for carrying aerial targets which were shot down by the great anti-aircraft guns. And at night balloons were sent up as targets for the machine gunners and rare indeed was the instance that they escaped the bombs. The gunners proved themselves skilled in their work. Altogether this unit is a wonderful organization in our national defense. According to a statement made by Col. Shand, property and dispersing officer of Illinois National Guard, "The 202d Coast Artillery is the best regiment of National Guardsmen in coast artillery training and equipment in America."

In speaking of the summer camp held here last summer, Col. Charles J. Kraft, commander of the regiment, enthusiastically acclaimed Camp Grayling as being the most beautiful site on which the Regiment has ever encamped. "The Michigan climate is healthy and everything has been ideal for our annual training. The boys have responded with a great improvement in their work and this year's camp has been unusually successful. The attitude of our boys has been splendid."

The 202d Coast Artillery came to Grayling total strangers. They remained here two weeks and took with them a lot of warm friends. Col. Kraft and his officers are a fine lot of men, and the young men serving in the ranks left good marks for conduct and they too will find a warm welcome awaiting them upon their return to Grayling.

One unfortunate thing occurred while the 202d was in camp and that was beyond the control of anyone and that was that the weatherman treated them badly upon a couple of occasions. One was the hurricane that visited them the last Sunday morning they were in camp, that leveled nearly the tents and drenched almost every fellow in camp. It was a sick looking crowd that the editor of the Avalanche met early Sunday morning, but by the wonderful system and organization of the several units, order was restored in remarkably quick time. The day was cold and dreary but in spite of the calamity the men in camp were soon smiling again and trying to be happy. And the last two days of camp were rainy and deprived the units of the opportunity of completing some of their plans for training. It doesn't seem as if lightning can strike again in the same place and we are hoping for two weeks of ideal weather next summer. If that feature is well taken care of we are sure that all else will be fine. We are indeed glad the 202d C. A. is to be with us again this summer. They will be most cordially welcome.

School Notes

Editors: Marius Hanson, Isbrand Harder, Ellen Speck.

Some of our students stand at the fountain and drink all day just because it's free.

If the expected automobile war becomes fierce enough, beggars may yet ride.

Every time we hear of another inquiry, probe, investigation, etc., we think, well, if half the world doesn't know how the other half lives, they can't say it doesn't try.

Mutt B.—Wilmer was almost drowned last night.

Clement B.—How come?

M. B.—The pillow slipped, the bed spread, and he fell into the spring.

Miss Adams—Jack, I wouldn't slide down that banister like that.

Jack Z.—Wouldn't you? Show me how you would do it, then.

Truman L—I showed Miss Lee up today.

Alva S.—How come?

T. L.—She asked me for Lincoln's Gettysburg address, and I told her he never lived there.

When one reads in the paper that Miss Sonia Ivanoff and Miss Gabrielle de Montmorency are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith one knows that a couple of movie girls are home for the holidays.

Miss Adams (in Biology)—The class will now name some lower species of animals, beginning with Elizabeth Matson.

Stanley Stephan—Do you serve any cheese with apple pie?

Waiter—Sure, we serve anyone here.

Julian S. (while visiting on his uncle's farm)—Is that the hired man over there?

Uncle—No, that's the first vice-president in charge of the cows.

JEAN MACDONALD TO ENTERTAIN YOU

Jean MacDonald, well-known dialect reader-entertainer, who appears on the Lyceum course here, Wednesday evening, Feb. 1st is a born imitator. Of Scotch-Irish descent, her readings in that dialect are masterpieces of interpretative art, and carry her audiences away in gales of laughter.

Stories of the North and West, regions with which Miss MacDonald is especially well acquainted, as well as quaint southern stories, are a part of her interesting program.

She is a favorite entertainer with children, and her repertoire includes many numbers that appeal to them as well as to their elders.

Jean MacDonald leaves her audience voicing most enthusiastic approval in her behalf. She fills many return engagements, which is a sure test of her popularity.

Mayor Walker of New York ordered the night clubs to close at 3 a. m. following the New Year's celebration. But this didn't cause many hardships because most of the money had been spent by that time anyhow.

FIND THAT HOSPITALITY PAYS

That genuine hospitality toward the motor tourist is being shown by a vastly larger number of municipalities, large and small, is an achievement in which the motor club may take the greatest pride. This fact is pointed out by Frank A. Picard, President of the Automobile Club of Northern Michigan who declares that the broader mutual understanding between the community and the visitor has served to make touring more of a delightful venture than ever before.

"Good roads and better cars, together with the broader and more thorough-going service given by the motor clubs generally, are regarded as the most important factors in the growth of the motor touring movement," says Mr. Picard. "That valuation of the situation is correct as far as it goes, but one cannot lose sight of the remarkably improved attitude toward the motorist which is being shown in all parts of the country."

"This club and the hundreds of others affiliated with the American Automobile Association have worked for many years to gain the cooperation of municipal officials in putting to route those individuals and agencies that have pretended to play host to the motor traveler only that they might reap upon him. The necessary cooperation has been granted and municipalities everywhere are seeing to it that the tourist is treated as a worthy guest, not a stranger to be imposed upon and victimized."

"Towns and cities have found that an unselfish approach to the policy of being truly hospitable has been marked by the valuable reward of popularity with the millions who are traveling by automobile. Those that have not taken this attitude have paid the inevitable penalty of being passed by."

ALUMNI BAND A SUCCESS

The Alumni Band, our new musical organization has met with success at all of its recent appearances.

This orchestra has lately been sponsoring dancing parties at the Temple theatre and in each instance the crowds attending speak well of their music and ability for a group at practically the beginning of their musical career, as an organization.

Their "moonlight" dances are especially entertaining and as a novelty-feature they present a "musical-saw," which has won comment from all of those attending. The soft tones of this instrument is especially enjoyable on their waives.

This band has but recently been acquired by the High School Athletic Association to play for dancing parties after high-school basketball games. So come prepared to dance. You will not only enjoy it, but you will be assisting the Athletic Association with their merits and appreciate your patronage.—Advertisement.

DON'T MISS HEARING JEAN MACDONALD

Miss Jean MacDonald, well-known as a premier dialect reader, will be heard on the Lyceum course, Wednesday evening, Feb. 1st in one of her popular entertainment programs.

Scotch-Irish readings will be rendered with a naturalness that few other than Jean MacDonald can command, while typical stories of the South and of the North and West are included in her repertoire.

Of Scotch-Irish parentage, Miss MacDonald is by nature gifted with the power of story-telling and mimicry, while years of study have assisted greatly in perfecting this inborn talent.

Miss MacDonald devotes a share of her program to numbers that appeal especially to children, but which are equally well-liked by elder people. A mid-western report recently stated "Miss MacDonald's readings are sufficiently varied to meet the demands of everyone. Her technique is such as to win the approval of the most exacting critic."

BRIDGE CLUB ENJOYS SEVERAL DELIGHTFUL PARTIES

The Bridge Club resumed their social activities after the holiday vacation with several very delightful affairs. Mrs. A. J. Joseph opened her home for the first session, entertaining with a very attractive luncheon. The long table was centered with yellow marigolds arranged in a silver flower dish around which were yellow candles in silver candlesticks. Mrs. Oscar Schumann held the high score for the bridge game which followed.

On Thursday evening the club and their husbands were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marius Hanson, Holger Hanson and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gillett at Shoppenagons Inn. A large silver basket filled with pink carnations and freesias and two smaller baskets filled with other flowers completed a very prettily arranged dinner table at which twenty-six guests were seated. The evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hanson with six tables filled for bridge prizes being won by Mrs. Robt. Reagan, Mrs. C. R. Keyport, Alex. Mason and O. W. Hanson.

On Saturday afternoon Mrs. O. W. Hanson was hostess to the ladies of the club with a yellow luncheon of very attractive appointments. A huge bouquet of daffodils with yellow tapers in silver candlesticks made a very lovely decoration while the dainty yellow place cards helped the guests to find their places. Bridge was enjoyed at the home of the hostess, Mrs. Chas. Tromble receiving the prize.

REMAINS OF FREDERIC RESIDENT TAKEN TO SHERWOOD FOR BURIAL

The remains of Samuel Shaw, who passed away at his home in Frederic, Monday, January 16th, were taken to Sherwood, Branch County, Michigan, for burial, Rev. Allerton of that place having charge of the services, which were held Thursday.

Mr. Shaw was born at Sherwood, on March 2nd, 1851. On March 11, 1879 he was united in marriage to Miss Ida Murray, and to the union two children were born, both of whom passed away in infancy. Mrs. Shaw passed away December 14, 1914 and on April 25th, 1917 he was again wed this time to Mrs. Mary Murray who died January 22, 1922.

The deceased is survived by one brother, Theodore Shaw, of Brandon, Oregon, one sister Mrs. Susan Reed, Burke, Mrs. Susan Reed, Charles Reed, Chester Burke, Mrs. Charles Miller, and Miss Ethel Merrithew, all of Frederic.

Michelson Memorial Church

John Wilfred Greenwood, Minister

AT 10:30 a. m. special communion service. Address by the Pastor. At 7:30 p. m. the moving picture hymn, "Take the name of Jesus with you". Address by Mr. Greenwood, "Jesus, the World Conservationist".

A Worth-while Message

"The basis of our political system is the right of the people to make and alter their Constitutions of government. But the Constitution which at any time exists, 'till changed by the explicit and authentic act of the whole people, is sacredly obligatory upon all. The very idea of the power and the rights of the people to establish government pre-supposes the duty of every individual to obey the established government. All obstruction to the execution of the laws, all combinations and associations, under whatever plausible character, with the real design to direct, control, counteract, or awe the regular deliberation and action of the constituted authorities, are destructive of this fundamental principle, and of fatal tendency." To read this, one would think that it had been spoken to the people of our day, but it is a part of the fare-well address of that great man, George Washington.

A nullification, whether it be an intellectual highbrow or a back-alley low-brow, is an enemy of this nation, and we should be on our guard to fight his vicious doctrine whether it be expressed in his home, at a social function, a public gathering, or as a practice of government. We should have no tolerance for that Americanism which seems fashionable in unexpected places that believe in keeping the laws it likes, and breaking the laws it does not like.

READY FOR FEDERATION CONVENTION

(This is the last of a series of articles sponsored by the Good Fellowship Club.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 24—New England club women are nothing if not forehanded in planning their activities. Although the Biennial Convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, to be held in San Antonio, Texas, does not convene until May 29-June 6, New England has its excursion planned, its itineraries arranged and printed matter thoroughly circulated throughout Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island and Connecticut. Besides visiting several cities in Texas in addition to San Antonio, the club women will make stops in Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana and Tennessee, and a side trip into Mexico is also announced.

"Singing Massachusetts" the name chosen by that state for its delegation—and it promises to be a big one. A singing rally will be held early the coming spring and in this a choral contest will be featured. The winner of the contest will head the "Singing Massachusetts" delegation in its march south under the slogan, "On to San Antonio." Always active in Federation affairs, Massachusetts has a special interest this year, as it is presenting the only candidate yet announced for the office of first vice president, Mrs. Grace Morrison Poole of Brockton, now recording secretary of the Federation.

Sherwood: Mr. and Mrs. John W. Burke, Mrs. Susan Reed, Charles Reed, Chester Burke, Mrs. Charles Miller, and Miss Ethel Merrithew, all of Frederic.



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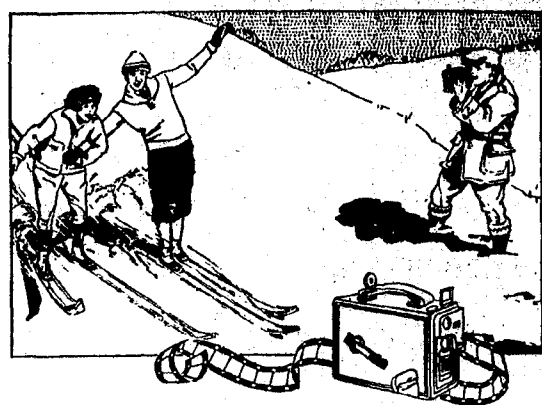
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EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS

They say that Secretary Mellon is holding the key to the 1928 campaign. That is better than being left to hold the bag—Buffalo courier and Express.

Of course, to those people who can afford to wear finger-ring watches it doesn't make much difference what time it is.—Detroit News.

It is rather humorous to find Trotsky yelling for free speech in a country where he was instrumental in suppressing it.—Detroit Free Press.

All's problem is to thaw out the solid South and keep it solid, too.—Dallas News.

Republicans vaunt the elephant and Democrats the donkey, but watch both animals lie down before the camel at convention time.—Boston Transcript.

Perhaps it would be well to pause and ponder on what would become of us if Mr. Hoover quit work long enough to run for President.—Omaha Gee-News.

Every time an American collector picks up another old suit of armor in England the shipping clerk wants to know what his street address is in Chicago.—Detroit News.

The old-fashioned girl who used to be proud of her home-made bread now has a daughter who brags about the synthetic gin she can make out of denatured alcohol and rain water.

Several cases of leprosy in Europe were traced to germs in a Persian rug. This is the reason we are going to hang on to the old rag carpet for another year or two.

Our office boy says he don't see how bankers can keep a secret when every bank has a teller. We don't believe this boy is going to turn out right.

The old-fashioned rounder who used to have to go to the drug store New Year's morning for a Sedoliz powder now has to consult an oculist.

New York City now has six million inhabitants and we wonder how many of 'em know that milk comes from cows?

A committee has asked Secretary Kellogg to protest against alleged religious riots in Roumania. Let's

see, wasn't there a League of Nations organized a few years ago?

The advertising slogan "like mother used to make is going to give way some of these days to one which will read "like mother used to smoke."

According to some critics about everything is wrong with our navy. All it seems to be able to do effectively is to fight.

The greatest optimist we know of is the statesman who believes it is possible to increase appropriations and reduce taxes at the same time.

LUMBERMEN TO HOLD 3 DAY MEETING

Retail Lumber Dealers, in all parts of Michigan, are looking forward to the Thirty-Ninth Annual Convention of the Michigan Retail Lumber Dealers Association which will be held in Grand Rapids, February 1, 2 and 3. This association, while old in years, has within the past three years made such progressive steps forward in promoting the home building idea that it is now classed as one of the most active and influential lumber associations in the country. Advance reservations indicate that the convention this year will exceed in numbers any previous gathering, and a program has been arranged of interest to dealers large and small in all parts of the state.

An array of speakers, most of them of national reputation, will discuss vital matters of lumber merchandising and selling, while the heads of the different departments of the Association will make their usual reports. The reports of President Charles L. Weeks of Detroit, and the other officers of the association are expected to reveal some very interesting facts as to the growth and work of the association. Almost a complete revision of the character of this meeting has been attained this year and they have added to it a great many points of entertainment and interest, which have not previously been given to the delegates who attend. They are giving out in total three hundred and twenty five dollars in gold in cash prizes and have arranged for a very wonderful program for the entertainment of the ladies.

The Association operates a legal department, a traffic department, and insurance department, and also has a committee which arbitrates as far as possible, disputes which arise between members. As a result, members of the Association seldom are forced to take their trade disputes into court.

One of the most important phases of the Association's work for the general public is the architectural and publicity service maintained through which those about to build, or alter their homes, are given some splendid ideas. Hundreds of new homes are built in Michigan every year as a result of this service alone.

CARD OF THANKS

Our sincere appreciation is hereby extended to our neighbors and friends for their kindness and assistance during the illness and death of our brother and uncle, Samuel Shaw.

Mrs. Susan Reed,
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burke,
Charles Reed.

BASKET SHOOTERS TAKE TWO FROM VANDERBILT

The Grayling basket ball teams had little trouble in disposing of the quintettes representing Vanderbilt here Monday evening.

The High school five, which before the termination included fifteen men, amassed a total of 27 points to 7 for the Vanderbilt team. The High School started with its regulars but were soon replaced by the reserves. The Graylingites jumped into an early lead and were never in danger.

The Vanderbilt five resorted entirely to long shots while the local's shots were in close proximity to the basket. The game was fast but at times the passing and shooting of our gang was very ragged.

Grayling	FB	F	T
RF Smith	2	0	4
RF Smith	0	0	0
RF Kolvanen	0	0	0
LF Neal	1	0	2
LF Stinchcomb	1	0	1
LF Kahonen	1	0	1
C Hendrickson	5	0	10
C LaVach	0	0	0
C Wheeler	0	0	0
RG Brady	2	0	4
RG Speck	0	0	0
RG Schmidt	0	0	0
LG Wylie	1	0	2
LG Fenton	1	1	3
Total	13	1	27

Vanderbilt FB F T

RF Deming	1	0	2
LF Bonnett	0	0	0
LF Brodan	0	0	0
C Stevenson	0	0	0
RG Sprovenan	1	0	2
LG Alirander	0	1	1
Total	2	1	5

The Grayling All City, after a very poor start, came to life in the 3rd and 4th periods to run up a grand total of 41 points to the Vanderbilt All City's 21.

The visiting team made an early bid for victory when they lead at the quarter 9 to 6. The locals led the scoring in the next period and after a desperate struggle tied the score 12 to 12 at the half. Between halves the Graylingites recovered their poise as well as basket ball ability and came back the last half to outscore their opponents 29 to 9.

Grayling All City	FB	F	T
LF Matson	1	0	2
LF Wilson	3	1	7
C Milnes	0	0	0
LG Robertson	5	0	10
RG Hanson	0	0	0
LF Cushman	10	2	22
Total	10	3	41

Vanderbilt All City FB F T

Farron	4	3	11
Perry	3	0	6
Kelley	2	0	4
Adams	0	0	0
Pyke	0	0	0
Fleming	0	0	0
Total	9	3	21

FRANK KILE PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY

Frank Kile of Higgins Lake, passed away suddenly in Grayling last Thursday at 12:30 o'clock of apoplexy. He with his son were on their way home from Grayling, having been here that forenoon to do some trading, when he became suddenly ill on the road near du Pont avenue. His son returned to Grayling with him, and he passed away at Mercy hospital three quarters of an hour later.

Mr. Kile was born September 13, 1874 in Michigan and had resided at Higgins Lake for the past thirteen years. Funeral services were held at the home at Higgins Lake Saturday afternoon and the remains taken to Lapeer for burial.

The deceased is survived by his wife, four daughters and one son, Mrs. Ray Apple of Saginaw, Mrs. Arthur Overmyre of Roscommon, Mrs. Russell Vailled, Grayling and Harry and Ruby at home. Also his mother, Mrs. Kile, one sister, Mrs. Will Williams of Higgins Lake and a brother Arthur Kile of Lapeer. Mr. Kile was a member of the Gleaners.

REUNION OF BLUE AND GREY

A plan for a joint reunion of the survivors of the soldiers of the Civil War at Washington next year is proposed in a bill introduced in the House by Representative Edgar Howard of Nebraska. The bill provides for a national commission to be in charge.

It is a proposal that must carry a wide appeal. This will be nearly the last opportunity for such a reunion. The commission of pensions reports there are only 84,000 surviving Union soldiers. Probably there are fewer surviving Confederate veterans. Fifty thousand of the Union survivors are incapacitated, and it is thought that perhaps only 10,000 men from both armies would be able to be present.

This is a united nation. Could there be a more touching way of dramatizing the fading of the old war feeling than by a reunion of the men who opposed each other in the field? There ought to be at least one such reunion before the survivors are gone.—Kansas City Star.

Chop Suey To Night

AT
MICHELSON
Memorial Church

Costume Ensemble of
Smart French Beige



This smart French beige costume ensemble, worn by Mrs. McAvoy, Warner Bros. star, consists of a simple two-piece suit and a velvet coat. The collar and border are of red tux, and there is a trimming of metallic brocade above the border.

Makes Dry Slogan



Miss Helen Pumphrey of Rockville, Md., a suburb of Washington, received the award for the best slogan for the National Women's Democratic League for Law Enforcement. Miss Pumphrey's slogan cannot be accused of propaganda, it being, "Let the People Rule."

LET OUR MOSQUITOES BITE YOU

(By E. M. T. Service)

T. W. Daniels, editor of the Coleman Tribune, Coleman, Midland county, an ardent enthusiast of Michigan's summer climate, has recently become a booster also for its winter tropical aspects. In the issue of January 20 on the front page, he says:

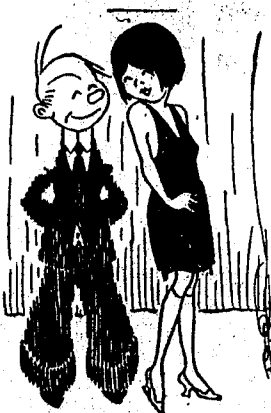
"Southern or western winter resorts have nothing on Coleman and vicinity this year. The trees have budded and in one instance at least an apple tree has blossomed. No snow on the ground and but few real chilly days, is the record up to Thursday. Wednesday night, Mr. and Mrs. Gove were annoyed by two mosquitoes in their home. They know there were two, because Mr. Gove killed one of the pesky things, while the second one 'played possum' for a time and finally escaped.

Any resort in the country is challenged to better this record for the 18th day of January. Why go south? Stay in Coleman and let our mosquitoes bite you. It feels the same."

Getting Hotter



WOULDN'T JIBE



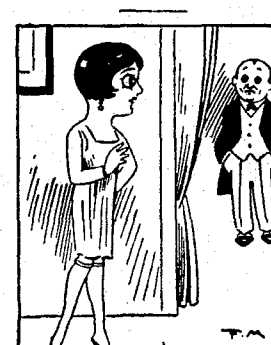
He—Wonder how we'd get along in double harness?
She—What! A deer and a jackass?

GOT BIT



He—Why are you putting on so much dog?
She—I always do when I meet puppies.

WOULD SOON IMPROVE



Dad—Look here, Dorothy, I don't like the way these youngsters are hugging you!
Dot—Don't you know they're scarcely more than boys, daddy? They'll soon improve.

HAD NOTHING TO FEED ON



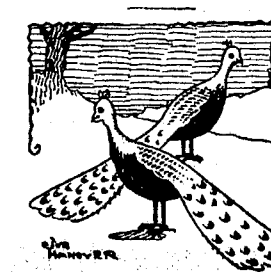
Reggie—Yes, Miss Sharpe, I once had the germ of a beautiful plot for a novel in my mind.
Miss S.—And it died of inanition, I suppose, Mr. Sapp.

CAN SQUEEZE THROUGH



Mother—Do you think George can hold Anna's love until he can afford to marry?
Dad—Oh, I think he can squeeze through.

EVOLUTION



First Peacock—What worries you?
Second Peacock—I hope we shall never degenerate into a race without tails.

Read your Home Paper

Posodas

The nine-day celebration in Mexico just before Christmas is called the "Posodas." It is a combined Christian and Aztec year-end holiday. The Aztecs originally celebrated December 18 to 21, and the Christians December 22 to 24. Being unable to suppress each other, the two tribes finally compromised and extended the Posodas to include both festivals.

Guess we are going to have winter after all.

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Not Able to Play

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

IT IS said that the little six-year-old prince of Rumania, when it was first announced to him that he was king of a great country and heir to seventy millions of dollars, did not take kindly to the idea. Young as he was he realized to some extent the responsibility which this new obligation placed upon him, and a serious, sad look came over his little face.

"I shall not be able to play any more," he said.

It is a serious situation when, whether from lack of opportunity or from lack of inclination, one is not able to play. Nothing more than play recreates a man. We are in a sad state when we can no longer play.

A well-known business man, successful, energetic, and still full of vigor, retired from the active duties of his business two or three years ago. When asked why when he was still so able to carry on his work he had determined to give it up, he said: "Just because I want to play," and playing for him meant work of another sort, freedom from the hampering restraints of business obligations. Those who are following his movements since he resigned from the position which for many years he held cannot see that he is any less busy than he was before. He is playing to good effect.

Some people do not know how to play. For two or three summers I have been at the same hotel with Graves, when he was on what he called his vacation. He did not know how to play. He was restless in the morning until the mail came in. He wandered about the grounds meditating, his head down, his mind taken up with problems that should have been left a thousand miles away. If he engaged anyone in conversation it was to discuss matters of business, or to reveal his agitation and worry over the unsolved difficulties which he should have forgotten when he shut down his desk and left his office for a month of rest.

He was like a lion shut up in a cage, pacing backward and forward, throwing himself against the bars, or sleeping gloomily in his cell. He took no interest in sport of any kind. He was happy only when he got back to the regular routine of work, for he did not know what it meant to play.

There is an old man down the streets—not so old either as years go—who has moved in from the country. He has many years yet ahead of him, if he takes life as he should. But he has nothing to do, and he has not learned to play. He ought to have a garden, or a dog, or an interest in chickens or tools or golf—anything to amuse himself. He might be happy if he even had an interest in books. As it is he walks up and down between the house and the street or wanders about the back yard picking up a dead branch here and there. Sad, is it! He doesn't know how to play.

One should learn early in life.
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Children Almost Hate Cross, Nervous Mother

"My children almost hated me, I was so cross. Thanks to Vinol, my nervousness is all gone and we are happy again."—Mrs. T. Johnstone.

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OPPORTUNITY COLUMN

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FOUND—A grey wool neck scarf in the road in front of P. H. Jorgensen home. Owner please call at Avalanche office for same.

FOR SALE—Dressed poultry and fresh eggs. AuSable Poultry Farm. Phone 464. 1-19-2

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A HOME FOR YOU—I have a number of dwellings which can be bought on a small down payment, balance as rent. James Cameron, realtor. Grayling, Mich. 1-19-2

FOUND—Tire chain, Jan. 16, near Danabod Hall. Call for same at Avalanche office.

DOG LOST—WED., JAN. 17, about 7 miles south of Grayling. English Blood Hound, black and tan. Answers to name Duke. Finder please notify Earl Feeley, Roscommon, Box 109. R. I. Reward offered. 1-19-2

LARGE BLACK AND TAN HOUND strayed to my place on the AuSable Saturday night. Owner may have same by calling Phone 65-5 rings, Dave Kneff.

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Use for the Mind

There is a certain use to which we might put the mind more often. We might use our minds to convince ourselves of our well-being instead of using our minds so much of the time to convince ourselves that we are in an unfortunate state. We get the idea that we are very tired—not because we are really worn out, but because we convince ourselves that we are. We rather like the martyrdom of weariness. In the mind we decide we are tired. Another attitude might convince us that we are still pretty fresh.—Grove Patterson in the Mobile Register.

The World Wants to Sing Your Song

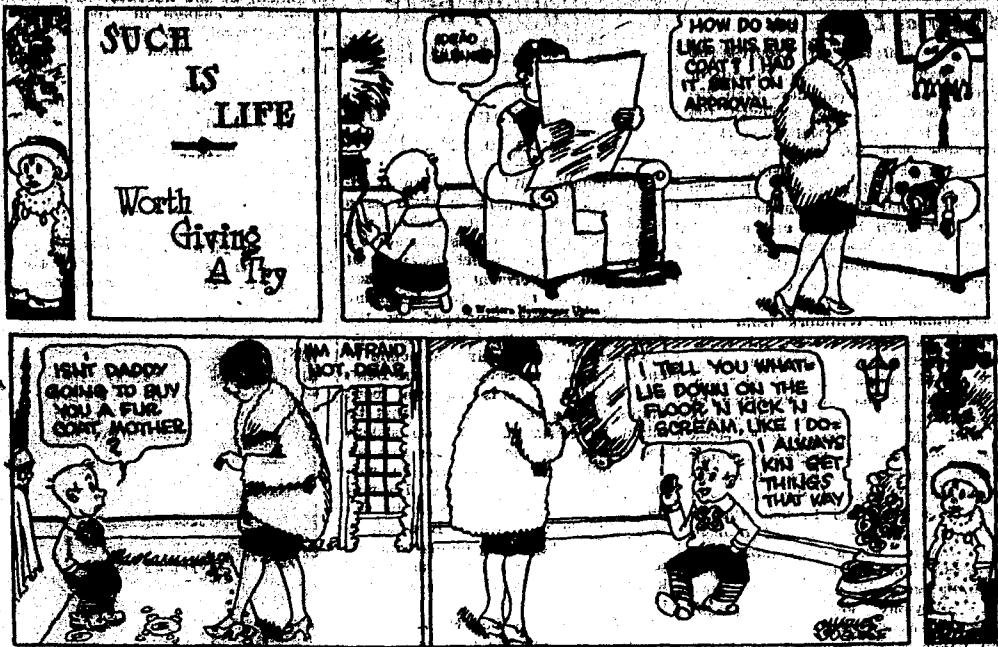
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"Some say it's only the old birds who go in for face lifting. Here's one who eighteen years old who had her lifted hundreds of times, and with no ill effect."

A BIT TOO WILLFUL



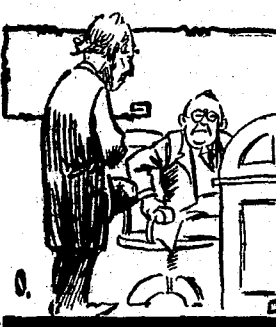
First Flapper (discussing the older generation)—Are your parents reasonable?
Second Flapper—Oh, they're reasonable enough if only they would let me give them the benefit of my experience.

DOESN'T PLAY WITH FIRE



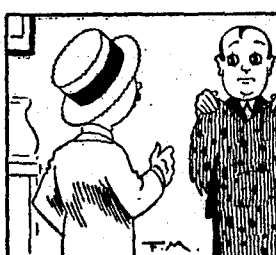
"Dearest, can't you see my heart's on fire?"
"Well, do I look like a fire extinguisher?"

NO RAISE FOR HIM



"Sir, my expenses at home are increasing and I am growing old in your employ, and—"
"Well, what do you expect me to do—furnish you with monkey glands?"

ONLY GOOD IN SPOTS



Dealer—So you don't like this beautiful leopard-skin rug?
Customer—No, it seems to me to be good only in spots.

COULDN'T HELP IT



Perch—That fellow has a nice sunny disposition.
Rock—Sure. He's a sunfish!

On mules we find two legs behind. And two we find before. We stand behind before we find. What the two behind be for.

The class was told to write an essay on "The Result of Laziness." The instructors' astonishment may be imagined when one Freshman handed in a blank sheet of paper except for the heading—"The Result of Laziness."

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THE MAN WHO VOLUNTEERS

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

I WAS in the hospital nursing an inflamed shoulder when Bert and George called on me to help make the hours pass a little more rapidly. I could read even though I was lying on my back, and there was one particular magazine which I very much desired. It was in the news stands, I knew, and probably would not be there very long.

"Is there anything I can get for you?" Bert asked me. "I'd be glad to get it."

"I would like a copy of the last House Beautiful," I said. "There's an article in it by a friend of mine that I want to read."

"There's a news stand just around the corner," Bert said. "I'll go out and get a copy for you now."

"You don't care for it tonight, do you?" George asked. It was already nearly time for them to go and for me to try to get to sleep.

"Oh, no," I answered. "I just want to be sure not to miss it."

"Frank is coming out here tomorrow at eight," George explained, "and I'll have him bring you our copy. We don't care for it. It's too bad to take Bert away just now when we have only a few minutes more to visit."

It was indeed, and I acquiesced quite willingly. But I never saw the magazine next morning nor after wards. I know George very well and just how generous and impulsive and thoughtless he is. I suppose he has never thought of it again. Having taken the responsibility his obligation passed completely out of his mind. With Bert it was different.

"Did you get that magazine you asked about?" he inquired the next time he dropped in to see me.

"I'm sorry I didn't," I had to confess.

"Well, I was afraid George would forget all about it," he explained. "So I brought one along. The obligation which he had momentarily assumed he carried in his mind until he could check up on the other man who had essayed to take it off his shoulders. It goes without saying that Bert is a good business man whom his clients know they can depend upon."

The telephone rang before I was up Sunday morning. When I got down stairs it was Goodwin who wanted to talk to me.

"I'm sorry to disturb you and especially on Sunday morning," he began. "They always begin that way when I am roused at some inopportune time—but we are just ready to initiate four new men, and I find that Gordon, who was to see about the proper permission, has forgotten to attend to it. He agreed to take care of the matter, and I reminded him last week of the necessity, but he says the whole thing went out of his mind, and here we are."

There isn't much to say in such a case, and so I didn't try to say a great deal.

Whenever your friend or your roommate or a fraternity brother or a chance caller volunteers enthusiastically to do a service for you, don't depend upon it too confidently unless you know the person thoroughly. It is easier to promise than to fulfill.

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Papal Court Ranks to New Order of Things

The oldest court in the world has been touched by democracy. The Vatican, which held aloof for so long, has become more or less responsive to the new order of things that seems to be reaching around the entire world.

For a long time this huge palace was illuminated only by candles after they had become obsolete elsewhere. Now electric bulbs gleam everywhere. Steel pens were not used here—perhaps the Vatican was the last place in the world to demand that documents be written and signed with a quill—but now even the typewriter has penetrated the forbidden doors. The huge pipes were cold in winter, but tradition allowed no artificial heat until a certain date, quite irrespective of the temperature. Now there are radiators everywhere.

The Vatican court is the oldest in the world, yet an audience at this court is more easily obtained than elsewhere. Here one realizes the effect of the democratic idea. In the old days when his holiness "commanded" anyone to appear before him, the poles of their spears beside the entrance to one's hotel and delivered the message that named the day and the hour. Very different now—one merely makes application for the audience at the American college in Rome or at the American embassy, and the "command" is delivered. When the former stimulation of full dress has been abandoned—From "Seeing Italy," by E. M. Newman.

Country's Wild Game Close to Extinction

The remnant of wild game birds and animals in this country today, according to Dr. William Hornaday, naturalist and wild-life conservator, represents about 2 per cent of the stock that existed here 50 years ago. All our wild game, ranging in size from the tiny turkey and quail, is rapidly diminishing in numbers. They have an unequal chance with the vast army of hunters equipped with the latest in guns, ammunition and well-trained dogs. Every year, the wild life grows scarcer while the army of hunters grows larger and their game and ammunition more deadly and effective. At the present rate, it is calculated, before the year 2025 the United States will be swept as clean of wild life and even some birds as it is Italy. The few small game refuges and preserves are considered insufficient to save the species, some of which are already extinct or nearly so. Some of the American game species that face early extinction are the woodcock, jackalope, golden plover, antelope, California grizzly bear, wild sheep and mountain goats. The early passing of the wild turkey, grouse and beaver is also feared.

Gambusia Thrives in Italy

Gambusia, the little fish that befriended man by devouring mosquito "wrigglers," is finding things even more to his liking in the ponds and ditches of Italy than in his native American home, according to reports received from Rome. Carried first to Spain and thence to Italy to combat the malarial mosquitoes, this hungry little minnow has multiplied enormously throughout the region around the mouth of the Tiber, where it was first introduced, and has also been transplanted into shallow waters throughout the peninsula and along the Dalmatian coast. More favorable food and other environmental conditions and probably the absence of natural enemies that take toll of its numbers in America, are credited with the gratifying abnormal rate of increase.

Insects "Hibernate"

Bees and hornets become torpid during cold weather and consume comparatively little food. The withering of the last blossoms in the fall compels them to desist and to go into winter quarters. There the social species have stored a supply of honey in a series of small waxen chambers or "cells," combined into "combs," upon which they subsist until spring, while the solitary species which do not lay up such stores usually die; but their larvae, snugly placed in burrows, or other concealed or parasitic situations, remain quiescent until the return of warm weather, when they emerge. This applies to the colder climates; in the tropics winter is not to be feared.

Legend of St. Martin

In northern Europe there is a period of the autumn, corresponding to our Indian summer, when the chill of the season is broken by a week or two of comparatively mild weather. The legend is that on a bleak November day St. Martin emerged from a church and found a beggar crouching on the doorstep, shivering with cold. St. Martin tore his cloak in two and gave half of it to the beggar. Since that time the season of the year in which the event took place is characterized by a period of mildness.

Getting in Love

Little Helen and James were next door neighbors and played together a great deal.

One day James was eating his lunch when Helen called him to come and play. His mother said he should complete his lunch before going to play. And James said, "Yes, mother I will. Helen is getting in love with me and just wants me to play with her all of the time."

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Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO.

THURSDAY, JAN. 5, 1905

Fred Alexander will return to the University the 9th.

The boys are out with their shotguns and rabbit pie is plentiful.

Fred Michelson has returned to the Ferris school after a delightful week at home.

Mrs. F. Narrin went to Holly Monday to attend the funeral of her grandmother, Mrs. Mary A. Austin.

Ray Matheson of Roscommon returned to his home Thursday after a few days' employment in this office.

Person was in town on old chums. She met school work in

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Grouleff of Munice, Ind., spent New Years with F. L. Michelson's family at Johannesburg.

"Mac" Taylor has removed from Detroit to No. 33 White street, Delray. He is yet running his part of the M. C. R. R.

The big engine which went into the turntable pit last week was nicely rescued by the wrecking crew and sent in for repairs.

Our blacksmith, David Plagg, is a champion. Last Thursday he fitted, shod and finished seventeen horses alone, all around.

Miss Eva Woodburn has a month's vacation from her stenographic work in Cheboygan, to which she will return about January 20.

Mrs. F. H. Richards and daughter Grace, of Erie, Texas, were the guests of Rev. H. A. Sheldon and family for the New Year's first days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Dingle and Mrs. J. D. Trumpler, guests of L. H. Chamberlin and wife for the Christmas holidays, returned home Tuesday.

Wm. Woodfield closed seven years of continuous work delivering goods for Salling, Hanson & Co. How many thousand dollars worth? Guess.

Ralph Fisher, representing the Alma Manufacturing Co. of that city, was the guest of George Mahon and family last Sunday. They are old neighbors and friends.

The changes in the court house this week make it seem almost like a new place, as the new clerk, register, treasurer and judge of probate have assumed their respective offices.

Mr. Collen will remain for the month until Messrs. Taylor and Brink get the run of the machine. Mr. Hoyt will not hurry away from Mr. Becker. If the administration for the next two years is as acceptable as the past there will be little fault found.

W. G. Woodfield moved into his new house Monday. Paint and varnish not dry enough to allow him to celebrate New Years there, but he is all right now.

The new year started in pleasantly. Everybody was out last Sunday enjoying the spring like air. Forty years ago was the cold New Years when people froze to death in Michigan.

The coal heaver who was injured by the runaway engine here last week died next day. He leaves a wife and three children in the old world, whom he was expecting to join him here in the spring.

A. Pearson, an experienced Boniface, has rented the McKay house and with his knowledge of the needs of the people will make it the banner \$1.00 day house of the state. We are glad of his coming, for hotel accommodation is needed here. He will continue the feed barn in connection, convenient for farmers and lumbermen.

Died—At her home in this village December 21, Daisy Croteau, aged 65 years. She was buried from St. Mary's church December 24, and the funeral service was attended by a large concourse of friends, attesting the love and esteem in which she was held.

THURSDAY, JAN. 12, 1905

E. N. Salling was in town the last of the week.

P. C. Peterson went to Cheboygan last week on business.

Mrs. O. P. Hanson returned from a visit in Bay City, Monday.

Born—Thursday, January 5, to Mr. and Mrs. Christ Hanson, a son.

Gustave Ernst, of near Judges, was one of the business visitors in town Monday.

Superior Chalker came down in Monday's blizzard from his farm in Maple Forest.

The village snow plow was run over the walks last Monday for the first time this winter.

Miss Jennie McLean, who has been attending school in Traverse City, is home visiting her parents.

Wm. Wallace has gone to Roscommon to take charge of the city water works and electric light plant.

Sunday and Monday were blizzard days, not very cold, but a piercing

wind, followed by ideal winter weather.

Joe. Canchon, of Lewiston, owner of the telephone line, and all around business man, was in our village, Tuesday.

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. James Woodburn on Friday afternoon of this week.

Joseph King, section foreman, fell through the turntable a few days ago and is now resting at his home with his knee in a plaster cast.

D. Connor, formerly a merchant here, but now a lumberman at St. Ignace, was in town, Tuesday, shaking hands with old friends, jovial as ever.

Rev. H. A. Sheldon and family visited with Dr. O'Neil's family in Frederic, on Friday and Saturday of last week.

Miss Bishopric, who has been with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Douglas for the holidays, returned to New York last Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. Leighton have returned from Bay City and will be at home in their house in the northeast part of the village for the balance of the winter.

Mrs. E. P. Vandewater is packing up their household effects for removal to their new home in Owosso. There are several families in town that could be better spared.

Perry Ostrander was doing missionary work among the grangers in the north part of his district last week, but adjourned on account of snow and storm.

M. A. Williams of Midland lost the end of his thumb by being caught in some way while at work on the flange Monday morning. Dr. Insley did the fancy work for him after.

H. Bates, of Maple Forest, came down Monday, after a load of brick for a new house chimney, but the wind had blown the snow off the road this side of the hardwood, so that he shipped them up by rail.

The alarm of fire Monday forenoon called out the town in quick time. It proved to be a small blaze in the addition to Shoppengans' house which was extinguished with little damage by a bucket brigade.

Miss L. E. Williams has enjoyed (?) most of the winter nursing a sick finger. The surgeon's knife and local treatment have not been sources of unalloyed pleasure, but it is better and she hopes it will soon be well again.

Nothing Really New in Form of Disease

That the ills of the ancients were the same as those of modern people was made clear recently by Sir Humphrey Davy Rolleston in an address to the British Medical association. The difference, he said, was that they diagnosed them less accurately, and gave them different names.

Tuberculosis had been identified in the Egyptian mummies, and was very prevalent in ancient Greece. Mumps appeared to be one of the few acute infectious diseases accurately isolated in ancient Greece. Byronic plague was undoubtedly a disease of established antiquity. The pestilence which attacked the Philistines after their capture of the ark was thought to have been plague. Those who did not die were advised to make offerings of five golden representations of their tumors and of five golden mice.

The appearance of plague had been recognized in the third century B. C. in Egypt, Libya and Syria malarial was proved to have been very prevalent in Greece from the fourth century B. C. and in Italy from about 200 B. C.

One investigator had come to the conclusion that six of the twenty-four plagues from 1290 to 1890 were victims of arthritis. Much able argument had been brought to prove that the sweating sickness was really influenza, added Sir Humphrey Rolleston. Appendicitis existed long before it was "baptized" in 1886, and Sir Humphrey referred to descriptions of cases as far back as 1684 for its widespread and frequent incidence.

We still believe Al Smith has the best chance to get the Democratic nomination for President in spite of the fact that Norman Hapgood has come out for him.

According to New York dispatches Tammany objects to having the Democratic National Convention in Detroit because the Michigan city is too wet. Well, if Tammany thinks it's too wet it must be.

Coach to Coach Coaches



A football and basket ball coaching school will be conducted at Elkton, W. Va., next August by Dr. Clarence W. Spears, football coach at the University of Minnesota, and Cam Henderson, coach of athletics at Davis and Elkton college, Jennings Randolph, athletic director at Davis and Elkton, has announced. Doctor Spears will have charge of football instruction, and basket ball classes will be instructed by Henderson.

OUR CLIMATE

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

IT WAS raining when I went to sleep at night and raining still when I awoke in the morning—a gentle but persistent rain that pattered on the windows and soothed me into a sound sleep like distant music. It gave me a quiet, peaceful feeling. It was like taking a sedative for jangling nerves. I know that I should enjoy going out in it and feeling the soft mist upon my face. Goggles out into a rain never gives me a chill or a cold or a feeling of injustice or irritation. I like it.

I know, however, that if I should by chance meet Mrs. Griswold—she comes from Florida, where I almost froze to death last Christmas because I had somewhere gotten the idea that Florida has a warm climate, and had worn light clothing when I went down—she would begin: "What terrible weather you have here! Does it do nothing else but rain? It seems to me we haven't had a day of sunshine since I struck this spot."

I tell her that she should take up her residence in central Spain where for centuries they have developed a system of dry farming; where the sun shines seven days in the week and the air is constantly full of thick yellow dust. She would like it there I know.

There is nothing else with which I am familiar that people are so sensitive to as the weather, and nothing of which they so thoroughly approve as the climate with which they were early in life familiar.

Mrs. Jenkins was born and brought up in Texas. Unless you are thrashing up in the Gulf of Mexico you will find the climate of Texas comfortably warm during the summer months—in fact hot.

We had a few warm days in September—this is a locality in which corn is one of the staple products and warm weather in September is essential to the proper ripening of the corn—pleasant days I thought them, for the nights were cool. Mrs. Jenkins nearly suffocated. She had seldom gone through anything so trying. This climate of ours she simply cannot get used to.

"Now in Minnesota," Mrs. Smith tells us, "we have wonderful winters!"

I am sure it must be true for I came closer to freezing to death during a short visit to Duluth one summer than at any other time in my life. She goes on to say that when it gets cold it stays cold. Eleven months winter and one month late in the fall, one admirer has defined it. Here on the other hand we never know one day what we are going to be up against the next. Change, variety, the unexpected, no monotony! As they say out in California no matter what may happen—"That's what I like about it."

In England it rains every day; in Spain it never rains. In California there is eternal sunshine, and in Alaska twelve months of winter. Here we have all varieties of weather within a week. I like it.

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Teacher 65 Years



Miss Olive Coffeen of Covington, Ind., has been teaching for 65 years, and is still active in her profession at eighty-one. Among her present pupils are grandchildren of her first class back in 1862 when she was engaged as instructor at Veedersburg, Ind. For many years she was professor of mathematics at Indiana State university and also at Austin college at Birmingham, Ill.

DO YOU KNOW?

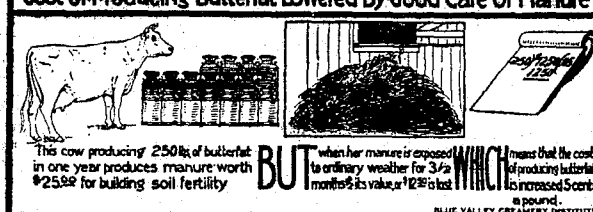
Questions—16

- 1—Who was voted the most valuable player to his team in 1928?
- 2—What is cork?
- 3—Where are milk pails filled from trees?
- 4—What state was originally colonized by the Swedes?
- 5—When was the Cherokee Strip opened?
- 6—What is the most famous religious painting by Leonardo da Vinci; the most famous portrait?
- 7—Which is the highest mountain chain of the European continent?
- 8—What American historian was minister to Spain?
- 9—Who said: "I am going into Mobile bay in the morning if God is my tender, as I hope He is?"
- 10—In what parts of the United States is the shortage of domestic help most acute?

Answers—16

- 1—George Burns of Cleveland.
- 2—Cork is the outer bark of a species of oak which grows in southern Europe and northern Africa.
- 3—In South America, where "cow trees" yield a fluid which resembles in appearance and quality the milk of the cow.
- 4—Delaware.
- 5—1639.
- 6—"The Last Supper." "Mona Lisa."
- 7—The Urals.
- 8—Washington Irving.
- 9—Admiral David G. Farragut.
- 10—The northeastern states and some parts of the West.

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ONE WAY TO CUT BUTTERFAT COST

Improper Care of Manure Means Loss of 5 Cents per Pound Produced.

Providing cows with proper feeds in accordance with their ability to produce and taking good care of the manure from each cow are the two sure ways for cutting down the cost of producing butterfat, according to the Blue Valley Creamery Institute.

It is estimated that a dairy cow will produce at least \$25 worth of manure a year—one-half of which is lost by the usual methods of handling. As a good dairy cow will produce around 250 pounds of butterfat a year, this loss of \$12.50 applied to the butterfat produced by the cow means a loss of 5 cents on each pound of butterfat produced. The best way to care for manure is to spread it on the fields as fast as it is made. Manure is most valuable when it is fresh, because none of its valuable solids have had time to decompose and waste away in the barnyard. Spread on the fields quickly the goodness of manure gets into the soil where it is valuable.

Of all fertilizers, farm manure is the oldest, cheapest and most popular. It is rich in organic matter and nitrogen, phosphorus and potash. These plant foods must be returned to the land if good crop yields are to be maintained at lowest cost. Although farm manure is perishable, most of its fertility value can be saved by proper handling and care. Plenty of bedding will help soak up and save the liquid excrement.

Manure stacked in an uncovered pile suffers a big loss from rains which wash away its valuable constituents. If it cannot be hauled to the fields daily, it should be kept covered and then spread over the land as often as possible.

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Farm Bureau Notes

R. D. Bailey, Co. Agricultural Agent



"It is being recognized more and more that it is a responsibility of farmers and of their organizations and institutions charged with agricultural research, and education, to keep the general public informed on agricultural matters."—Report on the Agricultural Situation by the Special Committee of Land Grant Colleges.

Farmers Week
At Michigan State College (formerly Agricultural College) at East Lansing, January 30 to February 3. Famous speakers. Fine exhibits. Entertainment. Special meetings. I wish you all could go. The whole week is so wonderful that I do not like to have any of you miss any of it. Several of our citizens have attended and pronounce it a wonderful week.

Sunday night is a good time to go. The following Saturday morning is a good time to start back.

Your county agent will be glad to assist you in finding rooms and meals. It should be attended to early.

Enjoys New Barn

Arthur Howse is using the large new barn, built and painted this past summer. It is more than 60 feet long, and thirty-odd feet wide, making a splendid structure. Arthur did not stop with just the barn. He built a good, big silo attached to it and is using the silo. He states that a silo is the real thing for cows in winter, and that his cows are showing their appreciation of it in larger cream checks.

He likes the alfalfa that he already has, and wants to get a greater acreage of it, and of silage corn, with the least possible delay.

What Mr. Howse has done in building a large, real barn and silo, is very cheering and refreshing. While so many are merely marking time, or are actually leaving the farm, well aided by Mrs. Howse, he is planning, improving, and planning larger things for the future. Who's next?

Good Bulletin

The county agent has, at the office, some bulletins showing plans for making a lime sower, or distributor, at home this winter.

This sower was developed at our Agricultural College; was not patented, but left so any farmer may make one if he wishes. It has a hopper, a little larger than on an ordinary grain drill. This hooks onto the end of the wagon box. It would be an easy matter to build one, thus insuring an even spread of lime and saving the cost of spreaders sold through channels of trade and costing about \$50.

I will mail directions for making to any who write or telephone for them.

Damage By White Grub

Proper rotation limits damage. We are due for another time of big damage from white grubs in 1930. So says Prof. R. H. Pettit, chief bug man (entomologist) at our Agricultural College.

This is a good case in which the practical farmer can hook up with the learned college professor, and make good use of what the professor knows. The professors do know. We haven't the laugh on them all the time.

A man like Professor Pettit is onto his job. By study he knows the habits of many insects that trouble Michigan farmers. If we make our plans and our crop rotations to fit in with these dependable warnings, it will be to our benefit.

Professor Pettit says: "The common June bug, which in one stage of its development appears as a White Grub, has a three-year cycle. As white grubs were very plentiful in 1927, we may confidently expect that in 1930 the farmers of the state will be called upon to endure another attack by white grubs."

The grubs, working under ground eat the roots from crops as corn, and grasses, and tunneling in tubers of potatoes, and similar plants.

The farmer is urged to take note of his fields this year and, if white grubs have been eating the roots from his crops, to remember that it is likely to happen again in 1930.

The beetles (that white grubs come from) lay their eggs in grass sod for the most part.

It is well in districts where June bugs are present to avoid raising of corn, potatoes, or any other crop particularly loved by white grubs, if such land happens to be in grass sod or beans during 1929.

In ordinary farm operations one can sometimes forestall serious loss by so arranging his rotation that grubs work at a disadvantage. However, the grubs often work in golf links, and in lawns where rotation is out of the question. In such cases it is possible to secure quite satisfactory results by spraying the trees on the year preceding the attack by grubs. It happens that the beetle (June bug) that lays eggs from which grubs hatch) dearly love shade trees, and are particularly fond of oaks.

The destruction of beetles, of course, does away with the attack by white grubs during the following season.

Waterproofing Concrete
Quarterly bulletin of Nov. 1927, from Michigan State College (Agricultural College), shows plainly how to waterproof cement.

This will be good for us farmers to know in connection with the stock tanks, cisterns, cellars, root cellars, manglers, gutters, etc., of which we are going to build so many in the next few years.

Finds They Take Care of Soil
Professor G. I. Christie, of Agricultural College of Indiana, made a

trip through 14 European countries, last summer, trying to find out how people there have kept up fertility on soils cropped more than a thousand years. He says: "When soils that have been cropped for more than a thousand years are yielding from 100 to 150 bushels of corn to the acre, 80 to 125 bushels of oats, 40 to 80 bushels of wheat, 200 to 600 bushels of potatoes, and other crops in proportion, one is convinced that the farms are in good hands and the land is receiving fair treatment."

Continuous cropping is undesirable and not advised for farmers, but it does answer some questions. First, that the soil, without the addition of plant food, loses its power to produce profitable crops; second, that commercial fertilizers will supply the needs of the crops through a long period of years; and, third, the continuous use of fertilizer does not injure or kill the soil.

Denmark Uses Plant Food

"In Denmark, where the dairy industry is supposed to be high a point as that of any other country in the world, the farmers use large quantities of commercial fertilizers. With large herds of cattle and many hogs, great quantities of manure are produced and applied to the land. To supplement the home-grown feeds, large quantities of corn, oil cake and cottonseed meal are imported from Argentina, the United States and from countries of Europe. This means that the farm manures return a large percentage of the plant food removed in the crops. Yet it is found necessary to balance the plant food with commercial fertilizers in the soil to get maximum yields of crops. These farmers are not satisfied with ordinary good crops. They are working for the largest possible returns."

Farmers Maintain Fertility

"The farmers of Germany, France, Italy and Hungary are students of the soil and they insist on returning as much if not more plant food than is removed in the crops. They are using the soil as a medium through which to manufacture, with the aid of the sun, rain and other natural agents, large and profitable crops of hay, corn, wheat, potatoes, fruit and so on. The days of the soil robber are past. The farmer of today must carefully guard, conserve and husband the soil. It is this care, intelligence, and treatment that secures from soil a thousand years old crops as large or larger than those grown on virgin soils in the rich Mississippi Valley."

Stable manure, green manure crops and commercial fertilizers must be used intelligently to maintain the fertility of good soil—first, to enrich thin soils, and secondarily, to grow a crop. This is the only type of agriculture that can survive and the only kind that can be prosperous, it matters not what artificial remedies are brought into existence—Southern Agriculturalist.

Fifty cents worth of superphosphate (acid phosphate) added to a ton of manure makes it worth two tons of manure.—New York State College of Agriculture.

A LITTLE TALK ON THRIFT
(By S. W. Straus, President American Society for Thrift.)

Recent surveys of various industries have emphasized the fact that labor has in recent months greatly increased in efficiency. Many observers have reported this as among the important developments of the past year.

This always is a characteristic of slackened industrial conditions, due to the process of selection through which the better type of worker is retained on the job while those who are slipshod and indifferent to their employers' interests are dismissed.

It is the opinion of this writer, however, that the present increase in labor efficiency is not altogether the outcome of supply and demand. We are in a period of advancing standards of living which is exerting a reflex influence upon the outlook, attitude and ambitions of the individual.

Contrast the conditions of the so-called average American of 25 years ago with those of today. The artisan of those days necessarily lived a circumscribed life, and his outlook was equally restricted. Today he has his own home, his little car, his radio, his countless conveniences and small luxuries. On his holidays he can take his family and journey many miles from home, seeing new scenes to fire his imagination and meeting a wider range of people to increase his interest in the affairs of the day. The newspaper laid at his door each morning or evening gives him not only a picture of the world's events of the last 24 hours, but a compendium of current progress in the arts and sciences.

In such an environment, it is but natural that men and women should become more ambitious and more determined to succeed. And success comes only to those who know the value of thrift.

Labor, in short, is becoming more efficient because the workers are learning that the world's rewards are for those who conserve their time and energies to useful ends, save their money, live clean lives and fill their minds with useful knowledge.

Of course we will admit that the pioneers had wolves and Indians to contend with but at that we don't know that these were much worse than bootleggers and reckless motorists.

ATTY. GEN. SARGENT ADDRESSES BAR ASSN.

(A brief summary of an address given January 22, 1928 before the New York Bar Association by John G. Sargent, United States Attorney General.)

Three things are of vital interest in considering the paper—(1) the State in which the address was given. (2) The group before which it was given. (3) The position of the man who gave it.

Mr. Sargent, in the first instance, points out his purpose in giving such an address before the New York Bar Association. They are the select of the Bar and have "with the law" which reflects, rather which is the expression of the culture, the life of the people. His aim, he points out, is to say something helpful in solving the problems of social existence.

One admires his abruptness of speech in these sentences "The Eighteenth Amendment of the Constitution is the law of the land." "The Volstead Act is the law of the land."

He does not attempt to discuss the truth or falsity of such statements as these dealing with the injurious or beneficial effects upon the life of the people of these laws. "(1) Managers and proprietors state that their business is improved and the efficiency of their forces increased by the absence of liquor. (2) The managers of transportation systems say that the presence of liquor among their forces constitutes a menace to the public safety and cannot be tolerated. (3) The eminent economists say that the money of the wage earner goes to buy for himself, his wife, and his children, more food, better clothing etc., whereas such money used to go for drink which did him no good." Rather he points out that there are other forums and speakers to deal with such.

His ability to be concise is seen in this sentence: "In this country the will of the people, expressed at the ballot box, creates the duty of the citizen upon the subject voted upon." The people of the United States have spoken definitely on this matter, so that there is not any ambiguity or temporizing.

Then he attempts to face the situation facing us: "We hear about crime waves etc. but no person or group has arrived at what I regard as the real root of the trouble."

So he seeks to discover the motives for offense against law. He enumerates: "The motives are: passion, and ill-will toward society. In offenses committed by such motives as their cause. 'It is the duty of every citizen to do what he can to suppress the commission of such offenses.'"

But he adds: "No one engages in the liquor traffic from any such motive," and then goes on to say a very bitter thing for the drinker of illicit liquors to swallow: "Every sale is the direct result of the offer and payment by the purchaser of a bribe to commit the offense."

As to the reason why otherwise decent, respectable citizens engage in such bribery, he has this to say: They say, the law interferes with their personal liberty, in that they have a right to drink whiskey or any other liquor, if they choose; that it is nobody's business whether they shall or shall not injure themselves. To expose the fallacy of such claim he illustrates from a case which he tried. The State Board of Health sought an injunction against the use for drinking purposes of the water from a stream polluted with typhoid germs. The defendant lawyer brought up this argument: "If I choose to drink this water, and take the risk of sickness and death, that is my affair. It's a personal choice which neither the State, or any representative of the State can lawfully make for me, or interfere with when made."

Hence the proposition, "I am justified in drinking what I please, law or no law." "I am also justified in bribing another man to violate the law in order to furnish me the means of drinking what I please."

And then, with keen legal insight, the Attorney General adds: "I submit the syllogism is unsound."

Then he draws the following conclusions: "(1) That our law governing such a trade is a failure. To expect such settlement rests on foundations of soundest reasoning. The policy may be wise or unwise, but it has been done. It is an accomplished fact. We face a condition now—not a theory. (2) That it is not only a settled law, but, judging the minds of the people from the votes cast for their representatives to the House, there seems to be a determination that it shall be settled for all time."

So he asks: What is the decent citizen, who drinks, going to do about it? Can any such citizen say "I will bribe anyone who will violate the law of my country which I don't like?" Carrying the matter on to its conclusion—"He bribes a fellow to supply his needs, and therefore cannot find fault with his bootlegger who bribes another with some of his money to violate another law which he doesn't like. So the lawbreaker who has been paid a reward for law-breaking by wealthy, respected members of the community is this: 'They pay me to commit crime. I will get more pay for committing crime by robbing them of their money and jewelry. They are willing to pay me for the bribery, perjury, violence and murder I must commit to get to them what they want; why should I hesitate at violence and murder to get from them what I want?'"

And then this natural question: "Is it any wonder that banditry, murder, bribery and corruption flourish, when they have constantly before them the spectacle of the very class of people which they despoil, and kill if necessary, offering to pay them and others to take the risk of breaking other laws?"

After discussing the folly of law-breaking from an economic viewpoint, he closes this remarkable address. "Is any course open to any right-minded individual to any action, any state, except to stand solidly for the observance of all the law, instead of flouting part of it, and asking for the enforcement of the balance? Can anyone without menacing the safety of society, maintain an attitude as to the observance and enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment and the Volstead Act different from that he maintains as to the observance and enforcement of the law?"

MAPLE FOREST SCHOOL GETS PRIZE

The Rural school of Crawford county was awarded a thermometer as a prize by the Michigan Tuberculosis Association for selling \$3.40 worth of tuberculosis Christmas seals. The sale in the Rural school was directed by Mrs. Charles Owen who distributed the seals to the pupils of the school.

A Christmas seal button was awarded to Fern Verblund for selling the most number of seals. The children in the schools were divided into two teams, and the competition in the seal-selling was quite keen.

OHIO MAN THANKS E. M. T. FOR SERVICES
(By E. M. T. Service)

Sometimes out-of-state tourists in Michigan are so pleased at what they secured in the way of recreational commodities—Health and Happiness—that, of their own volition they write on their return home to the East Michigan Tourist association. Here is an unsolicited letter:

"I just returned from a trip along the Eastern Shore of Michigan and can say that I enjoyed it very much. I want to thank you for your part in making my trip very pleasant through the literature and maps furnished through your organization."

The writer is a business man of Sylvania, Ohio.

IMPROPER OPERATION BLAMED ON DRIVER

By Erwin Greer
(President Greer School of Electrical and Automotive Trades, Chicago, Ill.)

Lack of care and proper operation is responsible for 65 per cent of all automobile accidents. I speak by the book, right out. This condition probably exists because so few owners have realized the necessity of learning really to understand the motor vehicle.

The way to get the most out of your car with the least outlay of money is to spend a few dollars and a little time in learning something about the automobile; how to prevent trouble; how to care properly for it and how to drive correctly. Once you have this knowledge you can save many unnecessary bills and get a great deal more fun.

It is because of this need that automobile schools have been organized in addition to the regular lessons on mechanical subjects. Lectures are given by subject authorities on the starting, lighting and ignition systems, the storage battery and tires.

It has been said the accidents are decreasing, even though the number of automobiles in use on the highways of the country is on the increase. This is said to be due to more stringent traffic laws, better highways and a more careful pedestrian public.

Automobile drivers should be especially careful to avoid injuring pedestrians who cross the street in the middle of the block, though by all rules and regulations they should cross at street intersections.

A great many accidents and fatalities have been caused by those people on foot who attempt crossing a street in the middle of the block. But the driver should be on the alert to watch for this type. It is very essential to have all brakes working properly so it is a common practice to speed up a bit between street intersections and if the brakes are not working an accident is very likely to occur.

More accidents result from faulty adjustments or application of brakes in my belief than from any other cause. It is important therefore to test your brakes frequently and at least once a month they should be given a thorough test by one who is experienced in this line of work if the owner himself does not possess the proper knowledge of the work to be done.

DOINGS OF STATE DEPARTMENTS

The total number of park sites now owned by the State is sixty-three. Seven of these were turned over to the State during the year 1927. Park sites are distributed so as to have one or more in 38 different counties.

Michigan is the first state in the Union to undertake a complete inventory of its land resources. This work was begun in 1922 and is being done by the Land Economic Survey Division of the Department of Conservation in co-operation with Soils Department Michigan State College. Work has been completed in Charlevoix, Ogemaw, Antrim, Roscommon, Alcona, Menominee, Chippewa, Kalamazoo and Crawford. The last two named counties were completed in 1927.

Maps and reports dealing with the improvements, land ownership, soil, forest, water power conditions are now being prepared on these counties for general distribution.

P. J. Hoffmaster, Supt. State Parks reports that 5,107,487 people used forty-eight State Parks during the year 1927. This is over 1,500,000 more than ever used Michigan parks in one year before.

The Department of Conservation has 75 full time employees operating the State's seventeen fish hatcheries. 219,565,894 fish were reared and released in Michigan waters by the state in 1927, about 40 million of which were brook, brown, and rainbow trout, according to Fred A. Westerman, Supt. of Fisheries.

District Conservation Officers called to Lansing, Monday, January 9, 1928, for one week instruction and conference on matters of vital importance to better conservation conditions in Michigan.

Certain financial experts are now proposing to cut the German reparations and scale down the allied debts in the same proportion. Which is only another method of inducing Uncle Sam to pay for the whole war.

Merge of Languages Result of Conquest

Although William the Conqueror never in his life went more than 250 miles from home, and although the scene of his decisive victory at Hastings lies only 150 miles from his birthplace, Falaise, he diverted the whole course of English life. His 700 open boats that sailed from Dives-sur-Mer with 6,000 knights and archers carried as invisible cargo many of the words now contained in the English language. Three-fourths of the words in the present English tongue crossed the channel in William's train. If William had never crossed the channel our speech might have been a mixture of Scandinavian and German.

After William had been crowned he rewarded his lieutenants with grants of land. Norman French lords ruled the shires and the Anglo-Saxon and Danish peasant farmers. For 800 years the language of the court and the nobles remained French, though the common people continued to speak Anglo-Saxon. But a remarkable thing happened. The two languages merged. Anglo-Saxon supplied terms for simple, every-day acts and things; Norman French coming from Latin and Greek roots, supplied terms for complicated thoughts and for science. When a scientist writes he uses many words from South Europe. But for common speech and "plain English" we fall back on Anglo-Saxon words from North Europe.—National Geographic Society Bulletin.

Was Pretty Certain Some One Had Said It

"When President Harrison was visiting at our home at Woodstock, Conn., over the Fourth of July, 1889" (writes Herbert W. Bowen in "Recollections Diplomatic and Undiplomatic"), "he was smoking an after-dinner cigar in the family circle, when some one happened to refer to his own poor memory."

"The President laughed and said: 'That reminds me of a lawyer I knew in the West. He had a very poor memory for names, but he was a great trial lawyer, and was engaged in many an important case.'"

"On one occasion he appeared to get damages for a child that had been injured."

"His address to the jury was a masterpiece of law and logic until the very end, when he made a personal appeal to the gentlemen of the jury. All went well until he was about to make his last point. His memory for names then failed him, and he was obliged to conclude his speech in this way after a long pause."

"As some one has said, 'Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not.'"

Pedestrian Poets

According to a writer in the Manchester (England) Guardian "poetry and walking have something in common." "Wordsworth," he says, "is a shining case, rambling far over the dales, boozing his poetry." Southey was another considerable walker. Meredith before his advancing disability demanded the use of mechanical means, ranged over great stretches of country in Surrey still unspooled by golf courses and bungalows.

Tennyson's knowledge of Lincolnshire scenery was the fruit of much walking. Browning was a walker to the very end and on his last visit to Asolo we hear of his daily morning walk with his sister when everything that was notable was noted by his keen eyes."

Swinburne's daily tramp over Putney Heath is part of the history of English poetry. And so we might continue almost indefinitely; a sedentary poet must be the exception in all literature.

Inflicting Pain

Punishment requires the infliction of pain; if we do not inflict pain, we do not punish. Now, the infliction of pain holds a strange place in human psychology. Nearly all of us think we are entitled to cause pain—at any rate, unnecessary pain—but it is not so certain that we are. By causing pain it is possible to establish four superiority over another person, to make yourself feel you are his master—and we all like that. Most of us have this under control, but there is still a vestige of that primitive desire to see somebody else squirm before us. Of course, with certain people this is more noticeable than with others.—Winthrop D. Lane in the Deiletor.

Queen of Precious Stones

It is estimated by an authority that the diamond represents fully four or five times the value of other gems found, including precious and semi-precious. India was the original home of the diamond as a jewel. For centuries India remained the sole source of Europe's diamond supply. About 1730 diamonds were discovered in Brazil. In 1867 diamonds were discovered in South Africa. South African diamonds constitute more than 90 per cent of the world's supply. From their discovery to the present time they have yielded 90,000,000 carats. The diamonds of the world probably represent a value of \$5,000,000,000.

Her Exact Age

Grandma Holland was a tiny wisp of a woman who had been seventy since she was fifty and would be seventy until she was ninety.—Woman's Home Companion.

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"Why do you call them arithmetic bugs, Washington?"

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BOY THOUGHT DEAF IS TRAINED TO HEAR

"Talked" in Pantomime Until Taken to School.

Indianapolis.—Whether a sturdy little youngster brought to them as a mute is really deaf and lacking the powers of speech, as his parents believe, is a matter which teachers of School No. 9, Vermont and Davidson streets, are trying to determine through methods employed in the atypical department of the institution.

The child, who is six, too young to enter the Indiana School for the Deaf, was brought by his parents, both mutes, to the school in hope that he might be educated. His two sisters are mutes, and because the two always talked in pantomime, he was thought also to be a mute. He was put in charge of a teacher in the room known as atypical B which is provided for beginning pupils who are particularly backward and unable to keep pace with the average child of that age.

Finds Boy Can Hear.

The first thing the teacher learned was that the boy could hear, though with some difficulty. This led her to believe that he might be taught to articulate. The fact that he never had, might be attributed to a psychological rather than a physical cause, she believed, inasmuch as all his life he had been associated with mutes.

On the assumption that the child could be taught to understand and express himself in the English language, the teacher first began instruction in lip-reading. As a pupil, he showed unusual attentiveness and quickness of perception. Within nine days he had learned the meaning of nearly a score of words which he understood from the motion of the teacher's lips. Heretofore, he could comprehend ideas only through pantomime such as he employed.

Assured of success in this direction, the teacher set about determining how much the youngster could hear. She found that he responded to sound. She continued to work with him, his hearing seemed to grow better and now he hears sufficiently to understand four words—"boy," "girl," "shoe" and his name. In order to explain to his teacher just how he heard and felt the sound of a piano note when she struck it, he pointed first to the door, then his shoe, his body and his ear.

Shows Normal Tendencies.

In meeting the problem of teaching him to talk, the teacher first began by saying and in turn having him pronounce after her three vowels. This he does with an enunciation that is surprising in view of his history. She has forbidden him to attempt to say words, as his parents have tried to get him to do in their unintelligible way.

That the youngster has a keen sense of humor is evinced in his association with his teacher whom he has learned to love and obey eagerly, and with his classmates. He is endowed with the usual tendencies of the normal American boy to put himself in the right. When he got in a fight recently with a taller boy in the room in the teacher's absence, he made it evident in pantomime gestures to the school principal, Miss Kate Mason, that the bigger boy pushed him down, forcing him to defend himself.

The case is being watched with considerable interest by the school. Whether the teacher and Miss Jean Williams, in charge of the atypical work in the city schools, have correctly analyzed the situation and whether their efforts meet with success remain to be seen within the next few months.

German Scientists Find Secrets of Hittites

Berlin.—Secrets from the lives of the Hittites who lived in the period 3,000 years B. C. are expected to be revealed after German scientists have studied the mammoth collection of stone statues and tablets excavated by Baron Max von Oppenheim in the depths of Mesopotamia.

The collection now en route to Berlin is declared to be the most important key ever found to the customs and habits of a practically unknown era.

Among the colossal figures found are a number of weird heathen gods; some animal figures with human heads; well preserved tablets depicting hunting and religious scenes, and some perfect examples of colorful ceramic jars.

Though mentioned in the Bible, the Hittites of 5,000 years ago have always been a puzzle to the archaeologists, particularly since a group of tablets containing picture writings belonging to 1000 B. C. have never been deciphered.

Pigeons Make Nest From Stolen Metal

London.—The management of a firm of iron and steel merchants was greatly puzzled over the mysterious pilferings of bicycle spokes, fragments of iron and small pieces of sheet metal from the yard.

A close watch was kept, and the thieves detected. They proved to be pigeons, and they used the metal for their nest. Their home was 16 inches high and weighed 22 pounds.

BUREAU EXECUTIVES TO MEET AT GRAYLING

Herman N. Butler, president of the Northeastern Michigan Development Bureau, has issued a call for a meeting of the executive committee of the organization at Grayling, January 30.

The meeting has been called to make plans for the 1928 advertising activities to be undertaken, agricultural projects, etc.

Marius Hanson, of Grayling, vice

president of the bureau, says that if there is a change in the tropical weather conditions which have made Michigan this winter a competitor of Florida, it may be possible for the executives to see Grayling's toboggan slide in operation. Grayling was one of the pioneer towns in the development of winter sports, but the unusual weather thus far this year has interfered with the winter sports plans.

The sixteen who are awaiting execution in New York were evidently careless in failing to provide themselves with an insane ancestor.—Indianapolis Star.

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LOCAL NEWS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 1928

Harry Reynolds was home from Flint over Sunday.

Mrs. John Matthiesen is quite ill at her home and under the doctor's care.

91 years ago today Michigan was admitted to the Union and 132 years ago yesterday vaccination was discovered.

The Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Holger Hanson Friday afternoon, Feb. 3rd. Members are invited to attend.

Buy Arties and rubbers at Olson's and be satisfied.

Mrs. Signa Rasmussen and daughter Ellen Mae were Caylord callers Monday.

Come to Michelson Memorial church tonight and enjoy a fine Chop Suey supper. You will like it.

Kirt Kitchen of Bay City was in Grayling last Friday shaking hands with old railroad friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Scott are enjoying a visit from the former's mother, Mrs. O. B. Scott of Roscommon.

Don't miss hearing Miss Jean MacDonald at the Michelson Memorial church next Wednesday evening, Feb. 1st.

A feature dance at the Temple to-night by McNeven's International Five. Favors and a good time. Dance tonight.

See the women's slippers and oxford at half price at Olson's.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gillett returned home Tuesday from a short visit in Bay City.

Tonight—Chop Suey supper at Michelson Memorial church. You will be most cordially welcome.

Don't miss the basket ball game tomorrow night when Grayling High school boys will play Standish. Every body out.

Edgar Douglas came down from Lovells yesterday is spending a few days visiting his father and friends.

Mrs. Nikolai Schjots returned Friday morning after a couple of weeks spent in Detroit, visiting her brother Alfred Olson and family.

Little John Pagel, son of Alden Pagel, who has been ill at the home of Mrs. Phoebe Owens for a couple of weeks was removed to Mercy hospital Saturday for treatment.

Last Thursday Grayling was visited by a terrible blizzard that lasted all day and all night Thursday. Electric and telephone lines were put out of commission and traffic was tied up for a while.

In renewing her subscription to the Avalanche, Mrs. A. J. Bennett says their address is 1429 Mississippi Ave., and that they would be glad to have their old friends call on them when they are in Flint.

Don't forget the story hour Saturday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock sharp at the Township library. Children over 5 years are invited. Twelve were out last week and we would like to have more this week.

The menu for the chop suey supper to be given at the Michelson Memorial church dining room, Thursday p. m., Jan. 26, is as follows: Chop suey, rice, buttered buns, pickles, apple pie and cheese, tea and coffee.—50 & 35c.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jensen are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter last Thursday. Mrs. Jensen is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Shaw and she and the baby are getting along nicely.

Miss Jean MacDonald, who has delighted Grayling audiences on two previous occasions will be the next number on the Lyceum program, which number will take place Wednesday evening, February 1st, at the Michelson Memorial church.

According to the Ogemaw County Herald, A. P. Ternes sold and delivered a carload of purebred Herford cattle to Frank L. Michelson of Grayling last week. The herd sold was one of the finest to be found in the state and are fit for any show ring.

Owing to the severe storm the last of the week the Vanderbilt team, who were scheduled to play here Friday night and were making the trip to Grayling by auto, got snowbound and had to turn back necessitating postponing the game until Monday night.

The annual meeting of the Michigan State Press association is being held in Lansing the last of this week. We are indeed sorry to miss it for the meetings are always valuable and also very enjoyable. This will be the first one we have missed in many years.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Northwestern Michigan Development bureau will be held in Grayling Monday afternoon. At 6:00 p. m. they will enjoy a banquet together at Shoppenagons Inn to which a number of local citizens have been invited.

Waldemar Jensen and Adolph Peterson left Tuesday night for Detroit, where they will re-decorate the whole interior of the Frank L. Michelson home, expecting to be gone eight or ten weeks. This speaks well for Mr. Jensen and his helpers, who are known for their expert and artistic work in this line.

Miss Naomi Hanson of the South-Side gave a very delightful old fashioned sleigh ride party Monday afternoon. The party starting from Atkinson's store and proceeding thru the downtown district and back, amid the merry jingle of bells, howling dogs, etc. A good time was had by one and all.

A spire was constructed on top of the Temple theatre the first of the week where the Village council had planned to place the siren fire alarm. However before it was completed the plans were changed and it will have to be placed elsewhere. Located, as it is now at the Waterworks, it is not plainly heard and a location is being planned for it.

Although Thursday night was one not fit for anyone to be out, several friends of Mrs. Harry Reynolds, braved the storm and surprised her on her birthday anniversary. They brought along well filled baskets dropping in on her at the supper hour. A very enjoyable evening was spent playing cards and visiting, and the guest of honor was presented with a pretty gift.

A heavy metal casting supporting the fire grates of one of the school house boilers, burned off letting the grates fall down into the ash pit Monday forenoon thus putting the heating plant out of commission until repairs could be made. School had to be closed that noon while the broken part was being repaired, remaining again this morning.

There was not a very large attendance at the Red Cross dancing party at the school gymnasium last Saturday night, but those who were there enjoyed dancing to McNeven's orchestra. Red Cross banners made an attractive decoration. It is hoped there will be a better crowd at the next party that is scheduled for Washington's birthday, February 22nd.

There was a fair attendance at the Bridge party given by the Woman's club at Shoppenagons Inn Wednesday night. This was given to raise money for their charity fund. Those present had a real enjoyable time. Mrs. C. C. Clippert and Mr. A. J. Joseph held the high scores. At the conclusion of the games delicious pumpkin pie with whipped cream and coffee were served.

See the \$6.00 and \$7.00 slippers and oxford at Olson's for \$2.98.

Mrs. Clark Yost is quite ill at her home.

Take your Prescriptions to Central Drug Store.

Our prices are lower on arties and rubbers at Olson's.

B. A. Cooley is absent from his stores this week owing to illness.

Ralph Nichols of Saginaw was a guest at the Stinchcomb home last Sunday.

Mrs. LeRoy Scott who has been ill at her home with the grip, is much improved.

About 100 pairs of women's slippers and oxford are being offered at half price at Olson's.

Miss Agnes Hanson is absent from her duties at the Sorenson Bros. store because of illness.

Little Roy Babbitt is getting along nicely after being ill for two weeks with a gathering in his head.

The regular meeting of Grayling chapter O. E. S. No. 88 will be held Wednesday evening, February 1st.

Miss Helen Babbitt was at Mercy hospital Monday for X-ray. She has been ill at her home the past month.

Mrs. Clarence Stillwagon of Lovells was in Grayling Wednesday between trains on her way to Roscommon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Landsberg returned Saturday to their home in Inkster after a few days visit with friends here.

Dance tonight (Thursday) to McNeven's International Five, who have been strengthened by Gordon Underwood of Pontiac. Temple Theatre.

Grayling High school boys team will play the Standish High school local court tomorrow night. You will enjoy the game.

Col. Glenn Arnold and quite a large party of friends are expected to be here next Sunday to enjoy the oboggan slide, that will be ready by then.

Emil Kraus left Monday to spend a few days in Detroit, accompanying the Samuel Friedman family part of the way on their return to Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Friedman and Mrs. Fritz Kraus returned to their home in Grand Rapids, Monday, after being in Grayling for a few days, visiting relatives.

Miss Luanna Lietz, who is practicing her profession of trained nurse in Bay City, is home for a couple of weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roman Lietz.

Last Friday was the first time this year that it was necessary for the snow plow to make the rounds, which was after the severe storm of Thursday and Thursday night.

Mrs. William Cardinal returned home Tuesday from Ann Arbor, where she had been receiving treatment at University hospital since the middle of December.

Mrs. James Brown who was dismissed from Mercy hospital the first of the week, where she had been a patient for a couple of weeks re-entered the hospital again yesterday.

Moshier & son have plate glass on the ground to be installed in their new garage building on Cedar street. In a few days they expect to have an exhibit of Overland and Willys-Knight cars.

George Burke, Ford dealer and T. E. Douglas, Nash dealer were in Detroit the first of the week attending the auto show. Also Nels Corvin, local dealer for Hudson, Essex and Star cars is in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Vallad of Kalkaska are spending the week here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stephan and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Vallad. Mr. Vallad operates an auto garage in Kalkaska.

Mrs. William P. Evans, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rueben S. Babbitt returned to her home in Detroit Saturday accompanied by her son Roger, who has been here for some time.

Bobby Tetu was host to five boy friends at his home last Sunday afternoon in celebration of his birthday anniversary. "Bob" and his little guests had a happy time, and enjoyed the delicious lunch served by Mrs. Tetu.

Postmaster and Mrs. M. A. Bates enjoyed having at their guest the former's niece, Mrs. Fred Glahn of Syracuse, New York, from Saturday until Tuesday. From here Mrs. Glahn went to Gaylord to visit relatives there.

At the regular social meeting of the Women's Auxiliary Tuesday evening, when they were entertained at the home of Mrs. Wilfred Laurant, "500" was enjoyed. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Alvin LaChapelle and Mrs. Carl Nelson. There were eleven members present.

Friends of Dell Walt will be glad to know that he is recovering nicely at Mercy hospital. On Friday of last week Dr. Cassidy, specialist of Detroit, was in the city, making a thorough examination of the wound, at which time the bullet that was lodged near the spine was removed. If Mr. Walt continues to improve he will be able to be removed to his home within a short time.

Of interest to their many friends will be the news of the marriage of Miss Marys Chas. to Mr. A. J. Schrodner, who has been clerking in the Grayling Mercantile Co. store, while Mr. Schrodner is employed as one of the barbers in the Cowell tonorial parlor. They are among Grayling's most popular young people and have hosts of friends who wish them much happiness and success.

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George Land submitted to an operation for the removal of his appendix Saturday morning at Mercy hospital. He is getting along as well as may be expected at this time.

A case of bitter bitten comes from Port Huron. A punch board salesman comes along and sells a number of them to different parties who are in the habit of displaying this means of gambling. The boards were supposedly of the usual variety that gives "the house" the long end of the deal, but along comes a "stranger" who proceeds to clean up the board and take all the rich prizes. He was an accomplice with the salesman and the pair made a nice clean-up at the expense of the parties who expected to reap a reward from the gullible public. The mourners are not so numerous.—Croswell Jeffersonian.

The funeral of Mrs. Ambrose McClain that was held last Thursday afternoon, with services at Michelson Memorial church, was attended by a large congregation of neighbors and friends. Rev. J. W. Greenwood delivered a most impressive sermon, and a choir of voices composed of Mrs. Herbert Gothro, Mrs. Roy Milnes, Mesars. E. H. Webb and W. W. Lewis, accompanied by Mrs. C. G. Clippert sang beautifully during the service. The many beautiful floral wreaths and sprays that covered the casket told of the high respect in which the deceased was held. Interment was in Elmwood cemetery.

APPRECIATION

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the ladies of the Hospital Aid Society, also to those who so generously assisted in making the Charity Ball so successful. We also wish to thank others who have by their donations, helped to sustain Mercy Hospital.

Sisters of Mercy
Wife—"I think I hear burglars. Are you awake?"
Hubby—"No."

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to our neighbors and friends for the many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy during our late bereavement of the loss of our beloved wife and mother.

Ambrose McClain,
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. McClain and family,
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Electric Stove, even heat, 2 burner, regular price \$6.00. Sale price **\$4.50**
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Wrinkle proof model, regular value \$6.00. Sale price **\$4.50**
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